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CORRECTED VERSION -INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DATED 8/24/2006

In response to the Office Action dated 01/23/2009, applicants merely wish to correct the typographical error in the IDS filed August 24, 2006. The typographical error was in reference number 5) below. It previously read US 2006/62081 and should have actually read US 2006/0162081. All other aspects of the IDS filed on August 24, 2006, remain the same.

- 1) US 5,029,939
- 2) US 4,589,695
- 3) US 5.159.726

- 4) US 4,491,364
- US 2006/<u>01</u>62081 (corresponds to WO 2004/009400)
- 6) US 6,755,475 (corresponds to DE 10 2004 027 154)
- 7) EP 1 099 627
- 8) EP 0 882 648
- 9) DE 36 07 258
- 10) DE 197 25 194
- 11) DE 100 27 686
- 12) DE 42 11 895

References 1 – 8 are all in the English language and therefore need no further discussion as to their relevance. In accordance with United States Patent and Trademark practice, it is no longer necessary to enclose copies of U.S. Patents.

Reference 9, DE 36 07 258, discloses that for automatically adjustable support on seat or back cushions, the invention provides for a pad (10) which is self-inflatable via a valve (11) and between whose two pad faces flexible foamed material is laminated, and also a recess (13), corresponding to the shape and thickness of the pad (10), in the cushion surface of the seat-and/or back-cushion material (12), in which the pad (10) is fixed.

Reference 10, DE 197 25 194, discloses that the profiled areas of the seat to be covered have a top surface lining upon which is fitted a Velcro hook and loop strip(5) with which interacts an adhesive strip on the leather or fabric cover material. The top surface lining lies fully flat on the profiled areas of the seat.

Reference 11, DE 100 27 686, discloses that this vehicle seat section consists of a

lower part (18) onto which an upper part (20) is fixed. The lower part (18) is provided with

chambers (24), which can be inflated, using compressed air, to form the contours of the

upper section when it is being used as a seat. When not inflated, the upper section (20)

remains flat allowing the seat to be used as a bunk.

Reference 12, DE 42 11 895, discloses a car seat with a deformable body support is

covered with padding and contains at least one airtight elastic cushion connected to an air

supply via a pump (8) and a valve (9). The cushion is filled with porous elastic foam. In the

slack state, the foam assumes a basic contour. By suitable switching of the pump, the

cushion can be inflated or deflated to suit the person on the seat. Several possible shapes of

the foam body within the cushion are shown and it may possess ribs which create cavities

between the foam and the cushion in the slack state. ADVANTAGE - Allows adjustable seat

contour to suit person on it.

Copies of the listed documents, with the exception of any US Patent references, are

submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that any fees required and not enclosed herewith or any

shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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